

REMARKS

- Claims 1, 3-10 and 12-21 are pending
- Claims 1, 7, 10 and 18 will remain the only independent claims pending upon entry of this amendment

Provisional Obvious Double Patenting Rejections

Claim 1 is rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1 and 2 of U.S. Patent Publication No.: 2005/0071503, filed September 30, 2003 and published March 31, 2005, by *Lyle E. Grosbach et al.* (hereinafter "*Grosbach*"); Claim 3 is rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claim 3 of *Grosbach*; Claim 4 is rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claim 6 of *Grosbach*; Claim 10 is rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claim 12 of *Grosbach*; Claims 5-9 and 12-21 are rejected as being dependent on claims 1, 3, 4, and 10. Applicants herewith include a terminal disclaimer to overcome the double patenting rejections.

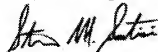
Conclusion

In light of the Applicants' terminal disclaimer filed herewith, reconsideration and withdrawal of the objections and rejections are respectfully requested.

Applicants believe that all the pending claims are allowable, and that the application is in condition for allowance. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and allowance of the same.

Applicants do not believe that any additional fees are due regarding this Amendment. However, if any additional fees are required, please charge Deposit Account No. 04-1696.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Steven M. Santis". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Steven" and last name "Santis" clearly distinguishable.

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